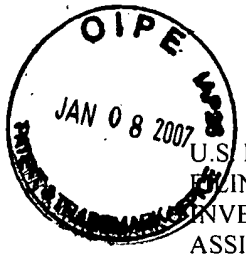

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated 5 December 2006, Applicant provisionally elects, ***with traverse***, Species 4, consisting of claims 1, 7-10, 14-20, 42-43, and 45-47, drawn to the use of the valve shown in FIGS. 4A-4C with a vascular insertion apparatus and insertion sheath.

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